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Dear Harold:

Assume you've noticed how neatly the projected stay of the GL in hospital and Camp David coincides with Aug. 3 date for adjournment of Congress. If the Ervin committee extends its hearings beyond that date, we always could develop complications, couldn't we ? A mild relapse ?

We had been quite prepared to believe there was something physically wrong, psychosomatic if nothing else because of the way the roof is giving way at all four corners at once. However, this neat little coincidence persuades in just the opposite direction, that he thinks he's outwitting someone and in fact is in full flight.

Note the enclosed Kingsbury Smith story from Rome which openly mentions "nervous breakdown" as one possibility. We've seen nothing comparable for this side of the water in the publications we see. Be interested if you pick up any hints.

Best,

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with a low a fever?